

Account No. 19-0733 for any such fee(s).

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 33 and 34 as follows: ➤

33. (Once Amended) A process for producing antibodies to cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) in the blood of a human whose blood contains CETP, said process comprising the steps of:

(a) administering an inoculum to said human, said inoculum comprising a vehicle containing a CETP immunogen, wherein said CETP immunogen has (i) an exogenous antigenic carrier polypeptide that is peptide-bonded to (ii) an immunogenic polypeptide of about ten to no more than thirty amino acid residues of human CETP amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO: 28) and comprising amino acids 465 through 475 of human CETP amino acid sequence;

F (b) repeating said administration, sufficient for said CETP immunogen to cause, by an autogenic immunological response, production of antibodies which bind to CETP in the blood of said human and

(c) maintaining said antibodies which bind to CETP in the blood of said human by further administration of said inoculum,

whereby the binding of said antibodies to CETP in said blood lessens the transfer of cholesteryl ester from HDL and increases the concentration of HDL cholesterol in the blood of said human.

34. (Once Amended) The process of claim 33 wherein said amino acid residues of human CETP amino acid sequence of said immunogenic polypeptide consists of amino acids 461 through 476 of human CETP amino acid sequence.
